

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 18 January 2006 at 7:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Douglas Bennett, Brian Chadwick, Bruce Watts and Whiting Willauer. Michael Glowacki was absent. Vice Chairman Chadwick called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Announcements. Mr. Watts asked for a moment of silence for the passing of former selectman, loving father and grandfather Donald Oliver on January 13, 2006. Vice Chairman Chadwick spoke on Mr. Oliver's strength of character.

Public Comment. None.

Approval of Minutes of 11 January 2006 at 7:00 PM, 9 January 2006 at 4:00 PM, 4 January 2006 at 7:00 PM, and 21 December 2005 at 7:00 PM. The Board approved the minutes by unanimous consent .

Approval of Payroll Warrant for Week Ending 15 January 2006. The Board approved the payroll warrant by unanimous consent.

Approval of Pending Contract for Week Ending 18 January 2006. The Board approved the pending contract by unanimous consent. Vice Chairman introduced a special warrant needing approval to include refunds of tax bills. The Board approved the special treasury warrant for week ending 18 January 2006 by unanimous consent.

### Citizen/Departmental Requests.

Committee Appointments for Beach Management Advisory Committee (1 Vacancy), Conservation Commission (1 Vacancy), Right of Way Committee (1 Vacancy). Vice Chairman Chadwick introduced the item and asked for the Board's consent to accept nominations of individuals. With that he asked for nominations for BMAC. Mr. Bennett nominated Colin Leddy. Mr. Watts seconded. So voted unanimously. For Conservation commission, Mr. Watts nominated John McLaughlin; Mr. Bennett seconded. Mr. Willauer nominated Sarah Oktay. There was no second. Vice Chairman Chadwick asked for a vote on the first nomination for Mr. McLaughlin. Mr. Watts, Mr. Bennett and Mr. Chadwick voted in favor; Mr. Willauer abstained. Mr. McLaughlin was appointed to the Conservation Commission.

On invitation for nomination for the Right-of-Way Committee, Mr. Watts nominated Harvey Young. Mr. Bennett seconded. So voted unanimously.

### Public Hearing to Consider Fee Increase for Private Rates for Residents of Our Island Home.

Mr. Chadwick opened the public hearing and asked for proponents to speak. OIH Administrator Pam Merriam provided an overview and noted attempt to keep up with private pay rates. Mr. Chadwick invited any opposing views, and as none were expressed, he closed the public hearing. Mr. Bennett asked about Medicare and Medicaid, which Ms. Merriam addressed, clarifying that drug reimbursements do not affect room rates. Mr. Watts asked for comparison to the mainland rates at homes and Ms. Merriam answered. Mr. Watts moved to approve the request for the private rate for residents of Our Island Home for semi-private rooms from \$240 to \$260 per day and for private rooms from \$260 to \$280 per day. Mr. Willauer seconded. So voted unanimously.

Town Administrator's Report. Review of Preliminary 2006 Annual Town Meeting Warrant (continued from January 11, 2006). Town Administrator Libby Gibson explained that the revised draft includes citizen articles and noted some items are under review and further information is pending. She quickly reviewed the items to be decided by the Board. She added that Town Counsel is working on language for sewer enterprise funding article and other additional items as needed. She noted Lynn Zimmerman's request for Board sponsorship of the citizen article submitted for including a section of Monomoy Creek Road in sewer district. Ms. Gibson apprised the Board of other like sewer district articles for the Board. She continued to review articles in the draft warrant, noting where language cleanup is in progress. She indicated that Legislative Liaison Tim Madden is willing to be present at a future meeting to elaborate on re-submittals of previous home rule petition articles, which Mr. Chadwick agreed would be helpful. She explained options regarding the need for VFW easement if they are not ready to complete the article and reminded the Board that adoption of the warrant is February 8, 2006.

Selectmen's Reports/Comment. Human Services Contract Review Committee Recommendations. Committee chairman Christy Kickham gave a brief history of the committee and reasons for its creation, adding that as administrator Maryanne Worth plays the role of liaison between the committee and the providers. He welcomed questions. Mr. Watts noted that increased amounts requested are based on additional help, not necessarily services, which would seem to lead to additional future requests. He asked for committee to continue to look at these programs closely. Mr. Kickham noted that the committee's recommendations support services and cuts were typically made with regard to such requests for additional help. Discussion followed on additional funds for particular services. Mr. Willauer asked if audited financial statements are received from all applicants, which Mr. Kickham and Ms. Worth answered is part of the required application packet. Discussion followed on contracts for services and withholding of funds if not in compliance, including accountability and monitoring of groups. Civic League member Dee Anne Atherton spoke in praise and support of the oversight and accountability function of the CRC. Discussion followed on the existence of food pantry additional help if not funded by the CRC. Mr. Watts moved to approve the Contract Review Committee recommendations as presented. (List is attached for 14 agencies.) Mr. Bennett seconded. So voted unanimously.

Mr. Watts thanked Victor Brandon and the Town of Nantucket for completing the Vesper Lane roadway.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

Approved the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2006.